

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and the following remarks.

Claims 11-14 are elected, and claims 17-26 are withdrawn from consideration as directed to non-elected subject matter.

Claims 11-14 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) as allegedly anticipated by Creswell et al (newly applied). The previous rejections based on Foldare et al. and Ratayczak are withdrawn in the present office action.

The office action does not discuss Creswell at all, but merely asserts that columns 3 and 4 thereof anticipate the claimed invention. However, it is submitted that Creswell in no way anticipates the features of the present claims, and thus, this rejection is traversed.

Creswell merely discloses a system for providing personalized telephone calling features, wherein each subscriber dynamically specifies a number of caller identifiers and a different call treatment for each such identifier as well as a particular billing mode. A call treatment may include, for example, a call forwarding specification to forward an associated call to a (a) particular telephone number, (b) default telephone number, or (c) messaging service. In particular, a plurality of stored caller identifiers are stored for a subscriber telephone

number each defining a respective call treatment. When a first telephone call is directed to the subscriber telephone number, the caller provides one of the caller identifiers, and the call is processed using the call treatment associated with the received caller identifier.

In one embodiment of Creswell, a subscriber calls a service number and enters his PIN. The service compares the entered PIN with a database of stored PINs. If there is a match, the service then gives the subscriber an announcement providing a list of calling features to access. One such feature is a facsimile service EFAX system 300 and another is a financial service system 400. If the subscriber selects the facsimile service, his call is connected to EFAX system 300, and he must then enter a password to access a stored fax or send a fax. If the subscriber selects the financial service, his call is connected to system 400, and he must then enter a password to receive various financial indicators. See, col. 14, lines 41-54 and col. 15, lines 18-31.

Comparing Creswell with claim 11, Creswell discloses steps (a)-(c), in that the subscriber provides a PIN for accessing the general system and, after accessing the general system, a password for accessing EFAX system 300 or financial services system 400, and the service accesses a password database to retrieve a password corresponding to the subscriber's PIN and

compares that retrieved password with the one received from the subscriber to identify the subscriber. However, it is clear that Creswell does not teach or suggest steps (d)-(g) of claim 11 because (1) there is no disclosure of a second password or a second identifier corresponding to the subscriber's PIN, (2) nor is there any disclosure of a second identifier used in establishing a communication link between a signal source and a communication terminal, (3) nor is there any disclosure of receipt of yet another password from the communication terminal, and (4) nor is there any disclosure of establishing authentication when the yet another password matches a second password. Thus, Creswell cannot be considered as anticipating present claim 11.

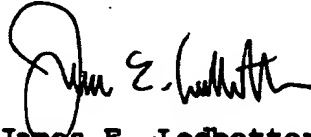
Apparatus claim 13 recites similar features to those discussed above in connection with method claim 11, and distinguishes over Creswell for similar reasons to those noted above.

In view of the above, it is submitted that the applied Creswell reference fails to disclose the above-noted subject matter of independent claims 11 and 13. Thus, it is submitted that claims 11 and 13, and claims 12 and 14 dependent therefrom, respectively, are in allowable condition.

Accordingly, it is submitted that this application is in condition for allowance, and a notice to that effect is respectfully solicited.

If any issues remain which may best be resolved through a telephone communication, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned at the local Washington, D.C. telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



James E. Ledbetter
Registration No. 28,732

Date: September 12, 2005
JEL/att

Attorney Docket No. JEL 31225

STEVENS DAVIS, MILLER & MOSHER, L.L.P.
1615 L Street, N.W., Suite 850
P.O. Box 34387
Washington, D.C. 20043-4387
Telephone: (202) 785-0100
Facsimile: (202) 408-5200